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1. ALIAS BERNHARD REPORTED FOLLOWING DETAILS ON FELFE

EXCHANGE:

A. CATUSK BELIEVED FIRMLY IN DOUBLE CROSS PLAN AND HAD HIGH HOPES UNTIL LAST MOMENT THAT FELFE HIMSELF AT OWN INITIATIVE WOULD REFUSE TO ENTER LAWYER VOGEL'S CAR.

B. PLAN WAS CONCEIVED BY GROUP OF CATUSKERS DURING FALL 1968 IN LIGHT EVER INCREASING PRESSURE FROM SPD, ESPECIALLY HEINEMANN, TO EXCHANGE FELFE. ALIAS ACKERMANN WAS SPOKESMAN THIS GROUP BUT NOT SOLE ORIGINATOR.

C. ACKERMANN FURNISHED ALSO PSYCHIATRIST TO CARRY THROUGH. PSYCHIATRIST WAS PERMITTED STUDY FELFE PERSONALITY, ETC BUT APPROACH WAS COLD SINCE HE HAD NEVER SEEN FELFE BEFORE. PSYCHIATRIST'S PITCH WAS "TIME FOR RELEASE BOUND TO COME SOON - HERE IS A WAY TO MAKE MONEY." CATUSK CONVINCED FELFE SWALLOWED HOOK, LINE AND SINKER. THEY HAVE TAPE; WE WILL ASK FOR COPY.

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PSYCHIATRIST SAID WOULD INFORM CHIEFS AND RETURN WEEK OR TEN DAYS LATER. BY THAT TIME PLAN HAD BEEN QUASHED AND NO SECOND VISIT OCCURRED. FYI: ☐ ☒ CREATED IMPRESSION PLAN QUASHED BY KIESINGER FOR POLITICAL REASONS, I.E., TO PLACATE SPD.

D. WHEN IT BECAME EVIDENT PSYCHIATRIST WOULD NOT COME BACK, FELFE BECAME INCREASINGLY NERVOUS AND REQUESTED CHIEF OF INSTALLATION TO FIND OUT WHEN VISITOR PLANNED TO RETURN.

E. WHEN ON 14 FEB ON WAY TO BORDER HE TOLD WEST GERMAN GUARDS "I WOULD HAVE PREFERRED IT THE OTHER WAY."

F. CATUSK HAD MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO RECEIVE 18 EX-AGENTS 13 FEB, BUT FAMILIES WOULD FOLLOW FOUR TO SIX WEEKS LATER. ONE OF SUBJECTS WHEN TOLD LATTER SIMULATED A CASE OF RAVING MADNESS (TOBSUCHT) SO EFFECTIVELY AUTHORITIES BROUGHT HIS WIFE TO CALM HIM DOWN AND PERMITTED HER CROSS BORDER WITH HIM. THUS, ACTUALLY 19 PERSONS ARRIVED 13 FEB, ONE IN AMBULANCE, VIA BERLIN.

G. ARRANGEMENTS FURTHER CALLED FOR ACTUAL TURNOVER AND VERIFICATION OF PERSONALITIES ALL THREE STUDENTS BEFORE FELFE WOULD BE PRESENTED.

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H. UPON ARRIVAL AT BORDER STATION AND AFTER TURNOVER OF STUDENTS, FELFE WAS TAKEN TO BORDER GUARD OFFICE, WEST GERMAN OFFICIAL CARRYING HIS SUITCASE. IN OFFICE HE WAS READ FORMAL RELEASE AND LEGAL INSTRUCTION AS TO HIS STATUS AND RIGHTS. HE ASKED TWO QUESTIONS:

1. WHERE IS MY BPA (IDENTIFICATION CARD)? ANSWER:
WE HAVE NO IDEA. FACT: ALIAS BERNHARD'S SAFE.

2. CAN I EVER COME BACK TO FEDREP? ANSWER: ANY TIME,
NOW IF YOU WISH.

HE THEN WAS OFFERED ASYLUM BY VOGEL WHICH HE ACCEPTED. AS HE LEFT, THIS TIME CARRYING HIS OWN SUITCASE, HE CRACKED SOMETHING LIKE "I'LL MAKE ENOUGH TROUBLE FOR YOU YET" OR WORDS TO THAT EFFECT. UPON ARRIVAL AT VOGEL'S CAR HE MADE FOR RIGHT REAR DOOR, WAS TOLD SIT NEXT TO CHAUFFEUR. VOGEL GOT IN BACK. BERNHARD HAS ALL THIS ON FILM WHICH, ALTHOUGH POOR DUE TO SPARSE LIGHT, IS NEVERTHELESS DISTINGUISHABLE.

Isn't made enough yet?

1. SECTION AND DIVISION CHIEFS, AS WELL AS ☐

☐ HAD ALL BEEN BRIEFED 1600 ON 14 FEB.
REACTION OF CATUSKERS WAS QUITE SOUR.

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